



ALMAGEST

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY IN SHREVEPORT

NEW MASCOT, COLORS FOR LSUS DEBATED AT ALLEY'S 2nd MEETING

By Sharon Lowe

Nearly 120 LSUS students participated in a hot debate over the development of a separate identity for the Shreveport campus at the second meeting of the University's newly developed

Free Speech Alley, recently.

Sophomore Ralph Hardman declared that not having separate colors and identity was "one of the worst mistakes we could have made. This school has no identity whatsoever, except as a step-

ping stone to the main university."

Pre-med major Kennie Kitchens immediately disagreed with Hardman. "We should stick with LSU's colors," she said. "We are part of a nationally recognized university." She added that anywhere an LSU student went, if he was identified with the LSU system people knew of his school.

● O'BRIEN SAYS SILLY

Siding with Hardman, Miss Mary O'Brien, instructor in social sciences, said that it was silly to stick with the LSU in Baton Rouge Tigers, as long as you do, you'll just be known as the babies of the LSU system."

Student Government Association President Jacquie Hunt declared that LSUS should have its own identity. She said that LSUS would eventually be a four year school, and at that point would have to change the colors and mascot anyway. She felt that such an action should be taken now to give the students a rallying symbol.

At that point an unidentified student from the crowd pointed out that the Shreveport campus was still a part of the University system, even if it should become a four year school. The student felt that colors and mascot for the Shreveport group should be the same as for the main campus.

● DIFFERENT SCHOOLS

Hardman disagreed, saying, "Even if we are a part of the same system, we are different schools with different policies. I don't think that we being part of the same system should have anything to do with the colors and mascot we choose."

One member of the assembled group asked why the colors and mascot were important.

Sandy Pruitt, sophomore psychology major, said that it was important because it would give the students a feeling of unity, something with which to identify. "For instance, take something like book covers. There is an organization here at school who would like to have book covers printed for the school. But what colors should they use, and what emblem? Another idea has been to get sweatshirts, but what do we put on them? We need something we can identify with, something we can get behind and push."

● COMMUTER COLLEGE

An unidentified student from the group said that she felt that people would have more interest in the school generally if LSUS were really more like a college. "You can't expect an enormous number of people to be interested in LSUS generally," she said. "This is a commuter college, and it is a good one. But most of us are here because we are working part-time until we can save enough money to



STUDENTS find Alley good place to air views and gain new ideas.

go away to school. LSUS is a stopping point for us. And it is a great thing. We can work and still go to school, but we just aren't oriented toward this campus."

Bob Robinson, freshman in pre-law, labeled that opinion as a defeatist attitude, and he said, "If we keep up that sort of attitude, we never will get anywhere."

Another student told the Alley participants that the problem of school spirit would take care of itself. "This college will have a great reputation in a few years. The teachers are great, and the individual attention that a student gets here is better than on any other campus in the state that I can think of. In a few years that will be our reputation, and the pride will come naturally after that."

● DIDN'T WAIT IN BR

Miss Pruitt declared that we shouldn't wait for years to try to build school spirit and pride. "LSU in Baton Rouge didn't wait until they had 4,000 students or 17 buildings before they got together and decided to become the Tigers. They decided at the beginning of the University. That is what I think we should do," she said.

Miss Pruitt also said that the opinions of the students at the Alley were needed by the SGA to help them decide what to do about the colors and emblem for the school.

She was challenged by one student to point out the SGA officers who were participating in the Free Speech Alley. SGA President Jacquie Hunt, SGA vice president Mike Fair, sophomore class vice president Lee Payne, and sophomore class representative Sandra Pruitt all raised their hands.

Governor McKeithen and the legislature were criticized by the students for the lack of funds for the LSU system.

● LSUS IGNORED

Miss O'Brien pointed out that LSUS has been ignored all dur-

Marsala States Needed Changes For Government

Dr. Vincent Marsala, chairman of the Social Science Department, spoke to the Speech Club at the Dec. 10 meeting in the Science Lecture Auditorium.

His topic was "The Need for Reform in the Louisiana State Government." "There needs to be a constitutional convention to adapt a new state constitution. The present constitution is 1,000 pages in length and has been amended over 400 times," he said.

Marsala said there needs to be a reduction in state agencies and elected officials. "There are over 300 agencies in the state government. This should be reduced to 15 or 20, so that the governor can have better administrative control."

One of the unnecessary state elected officials he said was Lieutenant Governor. "Several states have already abandoned this office as it is too costly and timely. Any minor official can act as governor while the governor is out of state."

"A two-party system is needed in the state legislature," he added, "the party that is in office and the party in opposition."

The Speech Club also held a cake raffle Dec. 13 in the snack bar. The proceeds will be used for club activities.

ing the current session of the legislature. She said that the governor has been to New Orleans to address the students there, and has addressed the students on the main campus as well, but has not been to Shreveport at all.

Ralph Hardman told the students that it will be a "long time before Caddo and Bossier get their fair share of the taxes.

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LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY IN SHREVEPORT FINAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE Fall Semester 1968-69

CLASS	EXAMINATION DATE	EXAMINATION TIME
8 MWF	Monday, Jan. 13	8-10:00 a.m.
8 M-F		
8 -10 MWF		
9 MWF	Tuesday, Jan. 14	8-10:00 a.m.
9 M-F		
9 M-Th		
9 MW		
10 MWF	Wednesday, Jan. 15	8-10:00 a.m.
10 M-F		
10 MW		
11 MWF	Thursday, Jan. 16	8-10:00 a.m.
11 M-F		
11 MW		
12 MWF	Wednesday, Jan. 15	10:30-12:30
12 MW		
1 MWF	Monday, Jan. 13	10:30-12:30
1-3 MWF		
1 M-Th		
2 MWF	Tuesday, Jan. 14	10:30-12:30
2-5 MW		
2 MW		
3-5 MWF	Thursday, Jan. 16	10:30-12:30
8 TThS	Monday, Jan. 13	1:30-3:30
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9 TThS	Tuesday, Jan. 14	1:30-3:30
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10-11:30 TTh	Thursday, Jan. 16	1:30-3:30
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2M-Th	Friday, Jan. 17	10:30-12:30
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1-2:30 TTh		
6:30-9:30 T	Thursday, Jan. 16	6:30-8:30 p.m.
6:30-9:30 T & 6:30-7:30 W		
6:30-9 TTh		
6:30-9:30 Th	Tuesday, Jan. 17	6:30-8:30 p.m.
7:30-9:30 W & 6:30-9:30 Th		

1. Regular classwork will be discontinued on Saturday, January 11, 1968 at 12 p.m.

2. Examinations will be held in the regular classrooms.

3. Examinations in Books and Libraries will be given at the last class period.

4. Examinations in the following laboratories will be given at the last lab period:

Agronomy, Animal Science, Biology, Botany, Chemistry,

Microbiology, Physics and Zoology

A student having three or more final examinations scheduled

for the same day may request permission in the Registrars' Office to take only two examinations on that day.

Christmas

by Mrs. Phyllis Tyler

Christmas is a glorious season filled with the memories of holidays long since past, with the anticipation of unseen things to come and with the final wonder of Christmas morn realized in the wide eyes of tiny tots throughout this great, free land of ours. Christmas fills the senses—it surrounds us everywhere.

Do you hear Christmas? Listen the sounds of Christmas fill the air. You can hear Christmas in the bells as they toll out the joyous message, "A King is born." You can hear Christmas in the strange, still silence of the battlefields of Viet Nam as the grim tools of war cease their fearful clatter to honor Him Whom the angels proclaimed with "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men." You can hear Christmas in the laughter of little children, in the rustle of packages swiftly hidden, in the voices of the junior choir on Christmas Eve, and in the prancing of hooves and a "Ho Ho Ho" for those still young enough to believe.

Christmas is also a season of smells—smells so fragrant that anyone can find his way through the holiday by just following his nose. Smell the pungent evergreen trees that hold the places of honor in ever home, be it large or small. Smell the wonderful aromas coming from the kitchens—the deep, dark smell of the fruitcakes baking and the "finger-lickin'" scent coming from old Tom Turkey as his drumsticks turn a golden brown. Smell the peppermint sticks, the bayberry candles, the Christmas tree bulb that fell on a tissue wrapped package, the hay where the real live sheep for the pageant stood too long, and the smoke from little brother's new electric train. Smell the happiness, the tradition, the wonder of it all.

Christmas is a tradition not only of smells and sounds but also of sights wonderful to behold. See the awe of a child's face as he sits on Santa's lap, behold the beauty of your very own Christmas tree as it shines through a frosty window pane, and delight in the beautifully decorated store windows as you hurry along a bustling, throng-filled street on a holiday eve. Remember the mischievous look in the eyes of the littlest angel, with crown all a tilt, proudly stands over the manger in the school play, and remember the look in your first girl's eye as she winds the music box you bought with money saved from lunches missed and pennies earned. Go outside on Christmas Eve, look to the East, and see the star that guided the wise men on that night so long ago and which still causes a little boy to ask his mother, "Mom, do all the animals really talk on Christmas night when they see the star?"

Look around you and see Christmas. Remember all the days of your lives the faces of your friends as they celebrate the season together in a new school beginning a new way of life. Remember the red bows that gaily swing from the lights outside and the beautiful silver wreaths so lovingly and painstakingly made by the girls who care. Remember it all, see it all, smell it all and feel it all. It is Christmas.

Merry Christmas, a Holly Happyday, and a HO HO HO!

Mrs. Phyllis Tyler

Gamma Provides Holiday Spirit For Campus

"Christmas Spirit" is the December project theme for Gamma Sigma Omega, girls service organization.

Members have decorated the University with candy canes, red bows, wreaths and two Christmas trees. One tree, made of plywood with tin ornaments, was placed in front of the snack bar. The other tree, a twelve-foot cedar was placed in the library.

The decorations were highlighted by the lighting of the Christmas tree and a short program held Tuesday Dec. 10 in front of the Library building.

Sandy Pruitt, GSO president, opened the program and welcomed the audience to the lighting ceremony. She then turned the program over to Freya Kadgihl, Christmas program chairman, who introduced John Larson, president of the Speech Club. John read a Christmas poem "The Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke.

Betty Estes, president of the Baptist Student Union read the story of the first Christmas from the Bible and reminded the audience of the true meaning of Christmas.

Mrs. Fabia Thomas, LSUS Registrar, gave a short reading appropriate to the season and officially turned on the lights.

The Gamma girls then led the audience in singing Christmas carols. Cookies and cup cakes will be served to the student body today by the Gamma girls. Linda Meyers, freshman art major, was in charge of the decoration project for Gamma.

Other projects include the collection of canned goods for the needy and magazines for Veterans Hospital.

Tara's Tidbits

The University fee for full-time students was raised from \$60 to \$90 per regular semester at a meeting of the LSU Board of Supervisors on Dec. 7. The fee schedule for part-time students will be appropriately adjusted. The non-resident fee for full-time students at LSUS was also increased from \$200 to \$250 per semester.

Grades are due in the Registrar's office Jan. 20 at 10 a.m. Grade reports will be mailed to students at their home addresses on Jan. 21.

Spring registration will be Jan. 27-29. Class will begin Jan. 30.

The ALMAGEST sends condolences to the parents of David Young.

BAGATELLE beauties will not be announced till the release of the yearbook in May. A Miss LSUS and Miss BAGATELLE will be chosen from the eight finalists.

Newly elected officers of the SGA are Janet McNeice, secretary, and Jane Foreman treasurer. Other officers are Jacquie Hunt, president and Mike Fair, vice-president.



GAMMA members (from left) Mary Vance, freshman; Kennie Kitchens, sophomore; and Sharon Adams, freshman; admire a Christmas tree GSO has placed in the Library.

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Northwest Louisiana has always been ignored by the legislature."

SGA vice president and freshman class president Mike Fair addressed the Alley, reading a letter that had been composed by several students, addressing the governor and the legislature.

The letter pointed out the hardships being encountered by the Shreveport college, and asked that the governor invite representatives of LSUS to confer with him about the school's problems.

● SIGNATURES NEEDED

Fair said he felt that the letter should be sent to the governor with as many student signatures as possible. Fair pointed out that the New Orleans and Baton Rouge campuses had both demonstrated to demand more funds for the University system, and he added that he felt that LSUS should show that it, too, is concerned over the lack of funds for the school.

This was the second regularly scheduled Free Speech Al-

ley on the campus. The Alley time was changed to noon, and the place was changed to the front of the student union. The previous Alley had been held at 2:30 in the Science Lecture Auditorium. Jacquie Hunt credited the increase in student participation to the changes in the time and place.

The Alley was moderated by sophomore class vice president Lee Payne.



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Open Letter to Governor John J. McKeithen

Dear Governor McKeithen:

We here at LSU-Shreveport are disturbed at the status of higher education in Louisiana. We feel that the problems are so great that their solutions will require the cooperation of everyone in the state, from the Governor, to the students, to the taxpayers.

In Shreveport, we are faced with very inadequate educational facilities. Some of these you might not be aware of; however, our awareness has been sharpened by every day we have been forced to continue under these conditions.

First, we are a two-year college when it is obvious that a full four-year program is needed. Certainly, the Shreveport area is large enough to support a four-year college. As the second largest city in the state, we feel that the higher education needs of our area are not being considered on an equal basis with those of Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

Second, LSU-Shreveport needs an adequate operation budget. Unless an increase in faculty salaries is obtained, many of our faculty will be forced to leave for higher paying positions elsewhere. This year a number of science courses could not be offered because funds were insufficient to purchase needed laboratory supplies and equipment. Teaching supplies in all courses have been greatly curtailed.

Third, we need additional classroom space to accommodate our ever increasing student body. LSU-Shreveport cannot grow unless the physical facilities are vastly improved within the coming year. Also, a student center and cafeteria are desperately needed to care for a large student body with no place to go between classes.

Fourth, LSU-Shreveport's faculty and students must have better library facilities. The Library has been forced to cancel all of its newspaper and magazine subscriptions as well as all orders for new books. The result of this is that the students and faculty have little research material at their disposal. They must either find these sources at some other library in the city or they must accept the fact that the material cannot be obtained. Usually, they must accept the latter as reality.

The LSU-Shreveport student body feels that it has been neglected by our state leaders and that its obvious needs both for physical facilities and operating funds have been ignored. We are aware that visits have been made to LSU-New Orleans, LSU-Baton Rouge, University of Southwestern Louisiana, and Louisiana Tech. However, Shreveport seems to have been neglected.

We would like to extend to you an invitation to appear before our student body during the week of December 9, 1968 or the week of December 16, 1968. We are only asking that you accord to Shreveport the same courtesies you have already extended to Baton Rouge and New Orleans. You will have the opportunity to present your views, and we will have the opportunity to present ours. We feel that this dialogue is essential if the educational problems of our state are to be solved.

LSU-Shreveport Student Government

Faculty Facts: Professors Express Views of Campus Life

By Sharon Lowe

Mr. Wilbert J. Miller, instructor in social sciences, feels that LSUS has much better facilities at this stage of its development than did LSU in New Orleans, where he received his BA degree.

"When NO was at this stage of development, there was no outside lighting, no drainage, and no parking lot. LSUS has much better facilities."

Miller received his MA from LSU in Baton Rouge, and is currently working on his dissertation for his Ph.D. His area of concentration is Spanish American history and his dissertation will be entitled, "Spanish Commandant System in Spanish Louisiana." Mr. Miller explains that the Commandant was a military officer who was responsible to the Governor in New Orleans, and who ran an outlying area of Spanish territory in the Americas.

The research for the dissertation was done in 1966 and 1967 in Spain where Miller was sent on a Fulbright Scholarship.

When asked why he chose to teach at LSUS, Miller replied that he would rather stay in Louisiana and teach, and besides, his wife had delivered the ultimatum that they could be no further than one day's drive from New Orleans.

If allowed to change one thing about LSUS, Miller says that he would change the attitude that some of the students have toward the University. He was critical of those students who think of LSU as nothing more than a glorified high school, and

he said that the young people were very lucky to have a University in the same city where they lived, and where they could receive an education at such a cheap price.

He said that he felt the study of social sciences was important today because "It is important that we be able to get along with people at home and abroad, no matter what advances new discoveries in the field of science bring."

He enjoys playing bridge--and enjoys it even more if he wins. "I'm a much better winner than loser," he says. He also enjoys reading non-history books and playing with his three-year-old daughter.

Mr. Alan Thompson, history instructor would change LSUS if he could by instituting student activities at a higher level. "We need to have something of a little higher level than a student car wash, I would like to see intramural sports, and music and drama clubs, and perhaps a student orchestra."

Thompson received his BA from Auburn University in Alabama, and his MA from the University of Alabama. Like Mr. Miller he is working on his dissertation for his Ph.D. His dissertation will be a comparative study of five northern and five southern cities during the period from 1850 to 1880. He is researching their respective economies, population and culture.

In addition to his interest in history, Thompson is an archaeology buff. While still a stu-

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DISCUSSING global trouble spots are (from left) Allen Thompson, history instructor; Dr. John W. Hall, geography instructor; Miss Mary K. O'Brien, sociology and government instructor; and Wilbert J. Miller, history instructor.

Personalities Involved in Varied Activities

by Tara O'Brien

I'm always interested to know what an interviewee thinks of an interview, so what's your opinion, Mike?

"I think they're despicable."

I know what you mean. Personally I can't stand personality sketches.

"I think everyone puts on a front even though they try not to. I mean, it's only human nature to try to present the better side."

What's your front like when you use it?

"I think it's when I try to appear intellectual when actually I'm an average person. You know, sort of saying a lot of words that say nothing."

What are you like naturally?

"I like to be casual."

What's a one-word description of yourself?

"Insanity--not the mental institution type, just the everyday type. I like to have a good time, knock around, do crazy things now and then. You know."

"Every now and then I get on an athletic kick too. I enjoy wrestling, running, general exercise. But the main thing I think is great is going on a long drive or walking through a field. Then I'm alone and can think. I even talk to myself about things. I also answer back, too."

Yes, I think there are a lot of us who enjoy long drives and walks. However, I can't say that everyone talks to themselves and gets answers.

"Well, everyone has to have an escape from reality. Everyone has their own world of fantasy."

"What I really would like to do is take off one summer and travel all over the states. You know, go to Florida and get a job for a while, just work long enough to earn money to travel around a little, then go up to Georgia and pick peaches for a while or something like that. Just generally bumming around and seeing the country."

"What do you think is the reason for the student trouble that seems to be world-wide?"

"They want to get away from the hypocrisy the adults have shoved into our lives. To me, they're searching for truth."

What do you think of their methods?

"You have to analyze what they're saying and where they get their ideas and if they're influenced by subversive groups before you can really say, I don't condone illegal acts. I didn't agree with the views of Robert Kennedy, but I do believe he had a right to stand up and voice them. Killing him proved nothing; acts like that are getting closer to anarchy."

"If you have a legitimate gripe, I believe you have the right to demonstrate. I went along with Grambling students on their demonstrations. But just because you don't agree with something, doesn't mean you have a right to riot. You infringe on other's rights, directly and indirectly, which is not right."

Changing the subject, what do you think of our campus?

"I'm very fond of it. I like it. It's like a baby that we're guiding. Each student has a part in its future through participation and non-participation. I think some students couldn't care less if it burned tomorrow. They've been forced to go here and are waiting till they can go to another school. To some it's a stopover between high school and what they feel is true college."

What is your opinion of the faculty?

"My professors, my immediate family, are great. There are some pros I don't have that I'd like to at one time or another. Of course there are always some stick-in-the-muds, but for the most part I think they're great. They seem to have an interest in the students and want to help us."

What about the administration?

For the most part I suppose they're doing o.k.

How many hours are you taking?

"Seventeen."

How do you find it?

"Hard, but not impossible. Presently I'm in chemical engineering, but I plan to change it next semester."

What gets you down?

"When I realize I've procrastinated too long"

What would be one question you wouldn't want me to ask you?

"What I talk to myself about!"

Well, do you think you've been yourself during the interview?

"Basically, yes. I still think interviews are despicable."

Georgia Scheen is a freshman merchandising major and a member of GSO and the year-book staff.

How many hours are you taking?

"Eighteen."

Is it hard?

"Yeah, especially Bobby Dowden. But science has always been rough for me."

You're probably asked this a lot, but how tall are you?

"Six feet seven inches."

Your're what!

"No, really just six feet."

How tall are your parents?

"Dad's six-six and Mom's five-ten."

You would take after your father.

"Look, I don't have anything to say about it! It's all their fault!"

"I used to be self conscious about it, but I've gotten over that. There was a time when I wouldn't even speak to short boys, but you've got to think of a boy not as a boy, but as a human being who can be a friend and someone to talk to."

"I stopped feeling self conscious about it when I was in junior high school. That's when they all caught up with me! I think when I was in my senior year at Airline where there were about three or four taller than I."

Do you find it hard getting dates?

"Yes, I still have problems."

Have you ever been out with a short boy?

"Once, I had a date with a boy that was five-five. It was a blind date. We told everyone that we were brother and sister. No, not really. I also went steady with a boy an inch shorter. But he was really husky, so it didn't matter!"

I hate to change this interesting subject, but where are you

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STUDENT PERSONALITIES Mike Fair, freshman class president; and Georgia Scheen BAGATELLE beauty editor, pause to discuss their busy schedules.

LSU System Expects 7.7 Per Cent Jump In 1969 Enrollment

Louisiana State University's systemwide enrollment is expected to reach 33,302 students next fall, according to figures released by LSU's Office of Institutional Research.

The LSU figures represent an increase of 2,367 students, or 7.7 per cent, over current enrollment. The greatest gains will be made on the Shreveport campus and the smallest in Baton Rouge.

University officials explained that the limited increase expected in Baton Rouge is due to the creation of sister campuses throughout the state, making quality education available closer to home.

LSU's Shreveport campus must prepare for 1,915 students, a rise of 26.4 per cent next September, while Baton Rouge enrollment will reach 18,467, an increase of 1.2 per cent.

LSU in New Orleans will experience the second greatest enrollment jump, 17.1 per cent, bringing to 10,492 its student population. The 10-year-old campus opened with an initial enrollment of 1,459.

Enrollment at LSU in Alexandria should surpass the 1,000 mark with a 5.7 per cent increase to 1,037 students, including those in the England Air Force Base resident credit program.

LSUA began in 1960 with an enrollment of 322. To keep pace with its expanding student body, LSUA has enlarged its physical plant to include a health and physical education building, library science building and union.

Institutional Research predicts an enrollment of 591 for the Eunice campus, a gain of 16.9 per cent.

The Medical Center in New Orleans expects an 11.4 per cent increase, bringing its enrollment to 800. These figures include the addition of the second year program in the School of Dentistry and a 29.9 per cent increase in the nursing department.

The largest enrollment gain on the Baton Rouge campus will be in the freshman class, which

should increase by 400 students, or 9.5 per cent. Decreases are expected in the sophomore, junior and senior classes because of smaller freshman enrollments the past three years.

Enrollments in the graduate and professional schools should be slightly higher next fall. The Law School should have 528 students; the Graduate School, 2900 and the School of Social Welfare, 200.

Romer Discusses Party Levels

The LSUS Young Democrats head their regional co-ordinator for the recent presidential campaign at a meeting Tuesday.

Charles Romer, from Bossier, served as southern co-ordinator for the Presidential election campaign of Hubert Humphrey this fall. He has just recently returned from a fact-finding trip abroad for the Department of Agriculture.

Miss Mary O'Brien, YD sponsor, says that Romer tried to give the Young Democrats an idea of the difference between state and national Democrat parties.

Miss O'Brien also stated that the YD's would stage an intensive membership recruitment effort at the beginning of next semester. She said they hope to have a speaker arranged for by registration, and that they will advertise the speaker well. She added that the national Democrat party is composed of a large cross section of people and that she hoped that the campus Young Democrats would have this same cross section.



DR. JIM BATES, Student Government sponsor, talks with newly installed class officers (from left) Don Piper, freshman vice-president; Jacquie Hunt, sophomore class president; and Terry Hansen, sophomore treasurer.

PERSONALITIES

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going to school next year?

"Probably LSUS, but I don't know. It's up to my parents. I'm thinking about Tech. But don't get me wrong—I like LSUS. It's just that I want a car so badly; I hate to bum rides to school. If I had a car it would be easier going to LSU."

Well, where do you live, anyway?

"Around the corner from Saks."

I see. What do you think of the SGA elections? (Notice how I skillfully changed the subject?)

"Oh, I was really pleased. But I thought more people should have voted. I think the SGA will get rid of that."

Well, I hope so.

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dent, he did research at archaeological diggings in Alabama on prehistoric Indians and has worked in the park connected with

the site.

Mr. Thompson taught at the University of Alabama and at Bigor High School near Mobile, Ala., before coming to LSUS. He came to the Shreveport campus because he was impressed with the growth potential of LSUS and because he was very favorably impressed with Shreveport.

Concerning studying the social sciences Mr. Thompson says that their study is important, "Because the social sciences are related to everything that we do. It is just as important to work for social development as scientific development, and unfortunately our social development usually lags behind our scientific discoveries."

Miss Mary O'Brien feels that social sciences are important today because the main problems of the country are social in origin. She said that social sciences are concerned with value judgments, with morals. "Science has given us marvelous things like the heart transplant, but science cannot solve the moral judgments that have to be made by such an innovation. Only students of the social sciences can do that."

Miss O'Brien received her BA from LSU in New Orleans and her MA from LSU in Baton Rouge. She elected to come to LSUS because she wanted to stay in the state and also within the university system.

Miss O'Brien would make two changes in LSU as we now know it, if she had the opportunity. One would be to try to do something about the student apathy on campus. She said that the students should realize that this is a university, and they should support it, and turn out for university functions. As an example, she cited an instance for the speech club. She said that

YRs Host Workshop

LSUS Young Republicans played host to the leaders of four other College Young Republicans clubs and to the local Teen Age Republicans at a closed workshop Dec. 15.

Louisiana Tech, Centenary, Northwestern, and LSU in Alexandria Young Republican leaders were at LSUS for the all-day workshop in practical politics.

In addition, special invitations went out to local leaders in the Teen Age Republicans (TARS). Club presidents at Byrd High School, Captain Shreve, Woodlawn, Jesuit, Fair Park, Bossier, and Airline were invited to attend.

LSUS Young Republicans who participated in the workshop include YR President Dave Griffith, vice president Lee Payne, corresponding secretary Tara O'Brien, recording secretary Sandra Burford, treasurer Bob Robinson, Tommy Saltee, Sharon Lowe, Christine Adams, Dixie Horning, Rivers Doty, Eddie Grounds, Debbi Smith and Sandra Pruitt.

there was an invited speaker, and that only four students turned out to hear him. The second change that she would make would be to get more money for the school, so that it could really become a university. "Right now, LSUS is the stepchild of the University system," says Miss O'Brien.

In her spare time, Miss O'Brien likes to listen to jazz and read.



AGRICULTURE CLUB members (from left) Thomas Ingram, Warren Jones, Charles Murphy, all agriculture majors, and Dean Donald Shipp examine student directories being sold by the campus Ag. Club.

Holiday Greetings

To The Faculty, Staff and Students
From the Engineering-Science Department